THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SRIKANTA JENA) : (a) In the Statement laid in Parliament on 31st May, 1990 it is mentioned that presently, 836 items have been reserved for exclusive manufacture in the small scale sector. Efforts would be made to identify more items amenable to similar reservation.

(b) Consumer goods are being manufactured both by small scale and large scale undertakings including multi-national companies. However, if an industrial undertaking other than a small scale industrial undertaking was manufacturing any consumer goods reserved for exclusive development in the small scale sector prior to the date of reservation of that item, it can continue to manufacture the item after getting the productive capacity endorsed in the industrial licence or registration certificate, as the case may be as per the specified condition. Such capacity in the licence/registration is pegged at the best production level achieved by that undertaking in the three years preceding the date of reservation of the item.

(c) In the statement laid in Parliament on 31st May, 1990, Government has outlined various measures for promotion of small scale and Agro based Industries. These measures are for re-orienting industrial growth to serve objectives of employment generation, dispersal of industries in rural areas and to enhance the contribution of the small scale industries to exports.

Proposal to delicence photographic materials

1398. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Hindustan Photo Film Manufacturing Company, a Public Sector Undertaking has arbitarily increased the prices of black and white and colour films and paper, medical X-Ray films, graphic art films and cine films ;

(b) whether in view of monopoly of HPF in the manufacture of photographic material, Government propose to delicence the photographic material ; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH) : (a) Due to increase in raw material costs, exchange rate variation, increase in overheads etc. HPF had to revise the selling price of graphic art Films, Roll Films, Cine Colour Films, X-ray Films etc. with effect from 31-3-1990.

(b) and (c) Apart from HPF, other firms are also undertaking manufacture/conversion of Photo sensitised goods. At present, there is no move to delicense the photo sensitised goods industry as letters of intent/licences have been issued to various parties for integrated manufacture of X-ray films, graphic art films and Cine films.

Maintenance of cost data of products by companies

1399. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) what are the products for which cost data is being maintained by companies ; and

(b) what is the policy with regard to sharing of this information with research institutions ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH) : (a) Products in respect of which cost

data is required to be maintained by the companies under Section 209(1)(d) of the Companies Act, 1956 are named in the enclosed statement. (*See* below).

(b) The information contained in the cost audit reports submitted to the Central Government under Section 233B(4) of the Companies Act, 1956 is made available to the concerned government agencies including the Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices (BICP).

Statement

Sl. No.	Product
1.	Cement
2.	Cycles
3.	Rubber Tyres & Tubes
4.	Caustic Soda
5.	Room Air Conditioners
6.	Refrigeratros
7.	Automobile Batteries
8.	Electric Lamps
9.	Electric Fans
10.	Electric Motors
11.	Motor Vehicles
12.	Tractors
13.	Aluminium
14.	Vanaspati
15.	Bulk Drugs
16.	Sugar
17.	Infant Milk Food
18.	Industrial Alcohol
19.	Jute Goods
20.	Paper
21.	Rayon
22.	Dyes
23.	Soda Ash
24.	Nylon
25.	Polyester
26.	Cotton Textiles
27.	Dry Battery Cell
28.	Sulphur Acid
29.	Steel Tubes & Pipes
30.	Power Driven Pumps
31.	Diesel Engines
32.	Internal Combustion Engines
33.	Electric Cables & Conductors
34.	Bearings
35.	Milk Food
36.	Ethylene
37.	Ethylene Oxide
38.	Ethylene Glycol
39.	Diethylene Glycol
40.	Polyethylele Glycol
41.	Ethylene Dichloride
42.	Propylene
43.	Isopropanol
44.	Acetone
45.	Diacetone Alcohol
46.	Mathyl Isobutyl Ketone
47.	Butanol
48.	Ethyl Hexanol
49.	Butadiene
50.	Benzene
51.	Toluene
52.	Synthetic resins & Plastics
53.	Formulations

Issuing of Industrial COB licence to units for confectioning and slitting of photographic colour paper and films

1400. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have issued industrial COB licence to 10 to 12 units for confectioning/slitting of photographic colour paper and colour roll film vide notification No. S. O. 428(E) dated the 18th July, 1986 ;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that applications from some such units are still pending with his Ministry for a considerable period ;

(c) if so, what are the reasons for the delay in deciding their applications ;

(d) whether Government have formulated any special guidelines for these items in order to grant licence ; and